

## BOARD PREPARES FOR WAR ON STREET CAR COMPANY

Files Wheelwright's Letter Offering to Live Up to Exact Letter of Present Franchises.

### SUGGESTS NEW ORDINANCES

Also Inquires Into Damage Done Streets by Traction Company, and Orders Repair Work on Brookland Park Boulevard.

Apparently balked for the present by the reply received from Thomas E. Wheelwright, president of the Virginia Railway and Power Company, stating that the company was prepared to live up to the very letter of the franchise by eliminating the owl cars and curtailing the hours of the Westhampton Street and Broad and Twenty-fifth Street lines if pressed further in regard to the observance of schedules, the Administrative Board moved that the letter be received and filed, thus pigeon-holing the matter for the time being.

Taking up the dispute between the railway officials and the board from another angle, Mr. Hirschberg introduced a motion that a letter should be transmitted to the City Council, suggesting that should new ordinance or amendment to those already in force as regards the street railways of the city be introduced that the matter should be given serious consideration to avoid further misunderstanding, such as at present exists. It was also suggested that should such ordinance come up for consideration an agreement should be embodied therein requiring the company to share the profits accruing from the use of the public thoroughfares with the city, same being the property of the general public. The motion was adopted by the narrow margin of one vote. Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Hirschberg, McCarthy and Folkes, while Messrs. Beck and Hobson withheld their approval.

### INQUIRE AS TO DAMAGE DONE TO CITY STREETS

Instructions were also forwarded to the office of the City Engineer directing that a report should be submitted to the Board, stating the extent of the damage done the city streets by the local traction company, and containing a comparison of the cost of maintenance of streets in which the tracks have been laid and those where no tracks exist. The vote on this proposal was unanimous.

Supplementing its recent order to the railway officials in regard to the conditions prevailing in Brookland Park Boulevard, between North and Chamberlayne Avenues, and in regard to which Mr. Wheelwright had written that the matter had already been called to the attention of their engineer, the board directed that the company should be notified that what it was interested in was when the work in question will be done.

Taking immediate action to remedy the conditions existing on the Oakwood line, as emphasized in the franchise referred to them by order of the Administrative Board, the directors of the street railway have eliminated the Oakwood and Main line and will in future dispatch all cars on this branch over the Ninth Street route, thus assuring the travelers on this route a five-minute schedule.

## GOVERNMENT SEEKS TRACK INTO WAREHOUSE

Would Use Old Drewry-Hughes Property on Cary Street for Army Purposes.

Captain C. W. Stolz, representing the War Department, appeared yesterday before the Committee on Streets to learn what action the government could expect in regard to the proposal to use the tracks of the Southern Railway up Cary Street to the old Drewry-Hughes warehouse, which has been recently leased by the government as a supply base for the army balloon service. It was brought out that the government had entered the contract to build a new warehouse, but that the government believed that the petition to extend the tracks would be favorably acted upon, and had this not been the understanding it is doubtful if the deal would have been closed.

Upon learning that there was considerable opposition to the proposed extension, Captain Stolz pointed out that the government had no desire to injure private property or cause the municipality any unnecessary congestion, but emphasized the fact that the work is imperative, and that should the necessary authority be refused by the city, the War Department could take the matter of extending the tracks into its own hands. However, it is the desire of the department to avoid anything of the sort if some other satisfactory solution can be reached, and after hearing various arguments in the case presented, it was decided to delay final consideration of the matter until the end of the week in order to give the engineers of the War Department an opportunity to study the situation.

As the base in Richmond is the only one of the sort in the country, and must be put in operation as soon as possible, the matter was laid over until the engineer corps could consider the matter on Saturday, and a special meeting of the committee will probably be called for Sunday, as Captain Stolz must return to the capital that night.

### AUDITOR PAGE RETURNS

Represents State Council of Defense at Meeting in Washington City.

Second Auditor Reswell Page has just returned from Washington city, where he was last week at the request of Governor Manning. He will represent the Virginia Council of Defense in a meeting called by Secretary Lane and Daniels, the object of the meeting being the coordination of all the States of the State with those of the federal government.

Mr. Page said that the most eloquent speech he heard, after that of Secretary Lane, was that of Governor Manning, of South Carolina, whose wife was a sister of Messrs. Charles V. and Wyndham R. Meredith, in which he stated that he had five sons in the army, coupled with the announcement that he and his wife had no regrets, but were duly thankful to be able to render such a service to their country.

Glee Club Concert Cancelled.

The concert of the University of Virginia Glee Club, announced to be held at the Academy of Music on Thursday night under auspices of the War Relief Association, has been called off.

## Will Wed Before Fellow-Rotarians

Business Man Soon to Leave for Camp Will Spring Surprise at Meeting To-Night.

A most interesting meeting of the Richmond Rotary Club will be held in the ball room of the Richmond Hotel this evening at 8:15 o'clock. The unique feature of the meeting is the marriage of one of the Rotary members in the presence of his fellow members. The groom of this occasion is one of the prominent members of the club and decided that before he leaves for camp he would be united in wedlock in the presence of his club members, provided the consent of his betrothed could be obtained.

Another attractive feature of the occasion will be the Mikado cast and chorus who are the specially invited guests of this meeting and who will furnish the music for the assembly. In addition all rotarians are privileged to bring their wives and sweethearts. Dr. William E. Miller, member of the Rotary Club of Chicago and director of the Mining Institute of that city, will be present this evening.

### COAST ARTILLERY TO BE MOBILIZED AT ONCE

Orders Are Issued for Five Companies Formed Last Fall—Two Are From Richmond.

Orders for the mobilization of the five Virginia companies of coast artillery recently formed in various parts in the State are expected shortly, with the view of sending them to one of the larger ports for service. This information was given out by Adjutant General Jo Lane Stern yesterday, on receipt of a telegram from Senator Thomas S. Martin.

These companies, known as the Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Coast Artillery, were organized last October with the approval of Secretary Baker and were ready for service on December 1, when they were inspected and recommended for duty. However, orders to this effect have not come as yet and the organizations have become somewhat disheartened since assured them that the orders for their active service were now on the way.

The Tenth Company is now stationed at Bristol under the command of Captain Henry C. Stuart, Jr., the Eleventh at Roanoke under the command of Captain Peyton T. Jamison; the Twelfth at Richmond under the command of Captain Henry C. Franklin; the Thirteenth in Richmond, under the command of Captain Samuel C. Finkhauser; and the Fourteenth at South Boston, under the command of Captain J. Lee Thompson.

While it was not officially stated where the organizations would be sent for training before being dispatched for foreign service, it is thought probable that Fortress Monroe will be designated as the training school for the companies when the orders are received. There are several members of each of the companies, and the mobilization of the companies will be a task of considerable magnitude, as the handling of coast artillery will be in the hands of the men at the fort to which they will be assigned.

### CADET WERE KILLED BY LIVE ELECTRIC WIRE

Richmond Boy Meets Instant Death While Visiting Virginia Military Institute at Lexington.

John H. Ware, of Richmond, was instantly killed at Lexington yesterday afternoon when he picked a live electric wire from the floor of the mess hall, according to a message to his father, Herbert W. Ware, from General H. W. Nichols, superintendent, last night.

Young Ware was a cadet in the first class at V. M. I., and would have graduated this year. He was a first lieutenant and his body will be brought here this afternoon. Funeral services will be held to-morrow.

Full details of the tragedy are lacking, the message to the father merely stating that the young man had been accidentally killed in the manner stated.

### WISCONSIN OFFERS SURPLUS POTATOES

But Virginia Already Has 1,000,000 Bushels More Than It Can Eat.

While deep in plans for a local campaign to induce people to eat potatoes, and so save the enormous crop now going to waste, Miss Anna L. Jones, executive secretary of the State food administration, yesterday received a telegram from the food administration of Wisconsin offering 17,000,000 bushels of good shipping potatoes for immediate shipment. Virginia was asked to advise the number of carloads this State could use to take the place of the flour Mr. Hoover needs for shipment to France.

"How many Virginia potatoes would you like to have?" Miss Jones replied. "We have at least 1,000,000 bushels we can ship you at once without hurting our own home consumption in the least."

Petition in Bankruptcy.

Charles L. Moore, of Richmond, yesterday filed a petition for voluntary bankruptcy in the United States District Court. Moore declared that his liabilities were \$239.04 and that he had no assets.

### Excessive Amount of Dynamite.

Mine Superintendent A. G. Lucas secured the arrest and fining of Worley Preston, a colored man in the employ of the Stonewall Coal and Coke Company, in Wise county, for having in his possession, in the mine an excessive amount of dynamite. He was tried before Justice William Callahan.

### Citizens Meet To-Night.

Monthly meeting of the North Side Citizens' Association will be held at 8:15 o'clock this evening in Barton Heights. A number of important matters of interest to the North Side will be discussed.

## GRAND JURY INDICTS SOUTHERN EXPRESS CO.

Charged With Transporting Liquor in Violation of State Prohibition Law.

### LENAHAN IS ALSO INDICTED

Former Saloonkeeper Charged With Transporting, Keeping and Storing Ardent Spirits—Police Unable to Find R. E. Heilig.

The Southern Express Company was indicted yesterday afternoon by the grand jury in the Hustings Court, for transporting liquor from one point to another within the State, except in a manner as provided by law, and also charged with failure to keep the records of such transportation, as required by the prohibition law. At the same time a true bill was returned against P. J. Lenahan, a former saloonkeeper, charging him with transporting and storing with keeping and storing ardent spirits. The finding of the jury yesterday followed upon an investigation in which Commonwealth's Attorney Wise had announced that he had a "special matter" for the investigation of the jury. The hearing was held over from an adjourned session of last Wednesday. It was generally believed that the Lenahan case was under investigation, but the charge against him was a surprise.

Previous to the investigation a grand jury, Lenahan was under bail in Police Court, charged with "keeping and storing, and exposing ardent spirits for sale in violation of the prohibition law on the 15th day of March, 1918." This case was set for hearing in Police Court this morning.

### UNABLE TO LOCATE IMPORTANT WITNESSES

The witnesses appearing on the Police Court docket in this case are, P. J. Lenahan, attorney on Commonwealth's staff, A. S. Wright, captain of detectives, Police Sergeant E. C. Bailey, and Detective C. T. Tinsley, the police officers who seized the six cases of liquor at the express office, with which it is alleged Lenahan was connected, and also R. E. Heilig, who, it is said, was an employee of the Southern Express Company. Police witnesses said yesterday that they had been unable to locate him. He was also wanted in the grand jury investigation. Whether Justice Crutchfield will ask for a thorough hearing in this case, or merely certify the case on to the grand jury, is, of course, not known.

A number of witnesses who appeared before the grand jury last week were recalled yesterday. In addition Colonel Joseph Patton, State Insurance Commissioner, who was out of the city when last summoned, was a witness yesterday. Charles Taylor and Charles Heilig, colored, who are porters in an apartment house, were new witnesses called. Besides the indictments against the express company and Lenahan, the grand jury also indicted Charles M. Harris, Isham Fields, James King, and William Byrd, on charges of violating the prohibition act. These cases were not related to the other two cases.

## SEVEN BARRELS OF WHISKY SEIZED AT FREIGHT STATION

Two Other Barrels Found Empty Believed to Have Been Lined of Contents.

The second wholesale haul of liquor alleged to have been imported in violation of the prohibition laws, was made yesterday about 5:30 o'clock, when Chief of Police R. E. Howell, Captain of Detectives Wright and Sergeant R. L. Bryant executed a search warrant on the freight house at the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and seized two barrels, seven of the barrels were full of whisky. Two were entirely empty, while from a third fifteen quarts had been taken. It is believed that this part of the whisky was stolen during the time it was in the freight house. The entire number of quarts packed in the barrels was 222.

The containers were marked "auto spray heads," and had the name, "Dominion Brokerage Company," stenciled on the tops. It was said by the police that the shipment was made from Philadelphia to Camden, and from that point forwarded to Richmond without following the regular railroad routine of the freight house. Following the seizure of the whisky, it was taken to Second Police Station.

It was said last night that negroes had spotted the barrels while they were in the freight house and had looted the two barrels which they found empty and had then reported their find to police headquarters.

### ADDRESS MINISTERIAL UNION

Distinguished Speakers Favor Prosecution of War to Successful End as the Only Way to Secure Real Peace.

At the meeting of the Richmond Ministerial Union, together with a large number of prominent lay workers, in the Central Young Men's Christian Association yesterday at noon, the moral aims of the war were discussed at length by Dr. Lyman Powell, president of Hobart College, Dr. George S. Nash, who has been associated with the educational work in the interest of the World Peace Foundation, and who is now assistant to Paul Anderson, formerly United States minister to Belgium, Rev. Russell Gout D. D., president of the union, presided. The moral aims of the war as summed up by the speakers are four: to win the war against autocracy; to make the world safe for democracy and democracy safe for the world; to secure for nations—small and great—safety, justice and economic opportunity; and to establish a league of nations. A warning was sounded to the ministry to take the leadership in the great movement of the reconstruction of a new world order when the war comes to an end.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS WILL MEET HERE TO-DAY

State Convention to Be Held in First Baptist Church With Large Attendance.

### PROMINENT MEN ON PROGRAM

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, President of Washington and Lee University, Speaks To-Night—Sunday School Workers to Give Demonstrations.

With all arrangements completed, the twenty-seventh annual convention of the Virginia Sunday School Association will hold its initial session this afternoon in the First Baptist Church at 2 o'clock. An elaborate program has been prepared and many noted speakers secured to address the large gathering expected to attend the convention. Delegates from all parts of the State will arrive in the city this morning and escorted to the church and homes by Boy Scouts who will meet the trains. All delegates will be urged to register at the church as soon as they arrive since this will be necessary to secure badges that will allow them certain privileges.

The convention, which is to extend through Thursday, will be marked by the appearance of many distinguished Sunday school workers and prominent educators. Among the speakers will be Frank L. Brown, of New York, president of the World's Sunday School Association; Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Washington and Lee University; and Dr. J. P. McConell, president of the Radford Normal School.

### DR. HENRY LOUIS SMITH WILL SPEAK TO-NIGHT

Dr. C. E. Brooks, of Lynchburg, State Superintendent of Teacher Training, will address the afternoon session on "Right Methods of Bible Teaching." At 5:30 o'clock the State executive committee of city and county workers, numbering an even hundred, will be entertained at supper by the Smith & Lamar Publishing Company.

The full program for this afternoon and to-night is as follows:

2 P. M.—Opening service of song and praise, led by Benley D. Ackley, Philadelphia—Life and service hymns.

Address: Rev. H. H. Ackley, Philadelphia—"The Saving Power of Music."

4 P. M.—Address: Rev. George W. McDaniel, D. D., Richmond, pastor First Baptist Church—"The Morale of the Forces."

4:30 P. M.—Address: Dr. E. B. Crooks, Lynchburg, State Superintendent of Teacher Training—"Right Methods of Bible Teaching."

5:30 P. M.—Committee of 100. Annual meeting of State executive committee and county and city workers.

8 P. M.—Life and service hymns, led by Messrs. B. D. and A. H. Ackley.

9:30 P. M.—Address: Rev. G. Otis Mead, Roanoke, pastor First Episcopal Church—"Service," and the Sunday School Teacher.

9 P. M.—Address: Dr. Henry Louis Smith, Lexington, president Washington and Lee University—"Special Address" of the Sunday School Teacher.

### VIRGINIAN BADLY HURT

Clarence Geier Brought to America Suffering From Effects of Hun Bullet.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] DANVILLE, VA., April 8.—Clarence Geier, a linotype operator, of Chatham, who went to France several months ago, has been brought home badly wounded by a German bullet. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Geier, last night left for the hospital on receiving a telegram saying that their boy's condition was critical. The young man enlisted at Indianapolis, and went over with an artillery command.

### Move to Set Aside Verdict

Motion to Set Aside the Verdict returned in favor of the defendant in the trial of the case of Edmund and Charles Randolph vs. W. H. Buehl, which was returned at the close of the trial on March 28, was made yesterday by the attorneys for the plaintiff, and the matter has been taken under advisement by the court.

### Many Apply for Employment.

Commissioner of Labor C. G. Kizer stated yesterday that, under his recent labor scheme of a free employment bureau for the purpose of inducing workmen from other States to come to Virginia, about a half a dozen applicants had appeared in his office since Sunday and had been secured employment by telephone in ten or fifteen minutes.

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